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## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated April 12, 2000. Claims 1-9 and 17-19 are currently under examination. A one month extension of time accompanies this response extending the time to respond from July 12, 2000 to August 12, 2000.

## **AMENDMENTS**

Please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of detecting the presence of a target [UT116] polynucleotide in a test sample, said method comprising:

(a) contacting the test sample with at least one [UT116-] specific polynucleotide or complement thereof; and

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